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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

1. (Canceled)
2. (Canceled)
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5. (Canceled).
6. (Canceled).
7. (Canceled).
8. (Canceled).
9. (Canceled)

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10. (New) A method of darkening faded garments comprising the steps of:

- providing a quantity of dyeing mixture;
- selecting garments to be darkened;
- placing selected garments into a conventional washing machine;
- selecting a wash cycle for the conventional washing machine;
- placing a quantity of said dyeing mixture into a bleach compartment of the conventional washing machine; and
- allowing the conventional washing machine to complete the selected cycle normally.

11. (New) The method of claim 10, wherein said step of selecting a wash cycle further includes the step of selecting a water temperature less than 20 degrees Celsius.

12. (New) The method of darkening faded garments as in claim 10, wherein said mixture includes a ratio of 45% black dye, 45 % water, and 10% salt by volume.

13. (New) The method of darkening faded garments as in claim 10, wherein said mixture includes a ratio of 40% to 50% black dye, 40% to 50% water, and 5% to 15% salt by volume.

14. (New) The method of claim 10, wherein said step of placing a quantity of said dyeing mixture into a bleach compartment further comprises place one cup of said dyeing mixture into the bleach compartment.

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15. (New) A method of darkening faded garments comprising the steps of:

- providing a quantity of dyeing mixture in a container;
- selecting garments to be darkened;
- placing selected garments into a conventional washing machine;
- selecting a wash cycle for the conventional washing machine;
- selecting a water temperature less than 20 degrees Celsius;
- placing one cup of said dyeing mixture into a bleach compartment of the conventional washing machine; and
- allowing the conventional washing machine to complete the selected cycle normally.

16. (New) The method of darkening faded garments as in claim 15, wherein said mixture includes a ratio of 45% black dye, 45 % water, and 10% salt by volume.

17. (New) The method of darkening faded garments as in claim 15, wherein said mixture includes a ratio of 40% to 50% black dye, 40% to 50% water, and 5% to 15% salt by volume.